GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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Sports Science and Sports Medicine Centres
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to strengthen set up more sports science and sports medicine centres to support sportspersons in the country and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether the Government has identified the universities/institutions for setting up of such centres in the country, and if so, the details thereof, locations-wise;
(c) the criteria adopted for selection of universities/institutions for the purpose;
(d) the scheme/programme being initiated for development of a structured system at the grossroot level to engage boys and girls at an early age in various sports; and
(e) the measures being taken for ensuring availability of sporting equipments and wholesome nourishment to the identified sportspersons in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)
(a) Sports Authority of India (SAI), has been continuously making efforts to upgrade the existing Sports Science Centres at its 04 Regional establishments viz Bangalore, Kolkata, NSNIS Patiala and Delhi. In other Regional Centres, efforts are being made for setting up Sports Science and Sports Medicine Centres. In addition, the Central Government has decided to set up an Indian Institute of Sports Science and Research (IISSR).
(b) Sports Science and Sports Medicine centres of SAI have academic agreement / MoU with various Hospitals and Universities in Delhi, Bangalore, Patiala and Kolkata for providing support to Athletes at all levels.
(c) The Universities/Institutes specialized in Sports Medicine and Sports Sciences who are willing to enter into MoU with SAI to send their students for internship in the fields of Sports Medicine and Sports Sciences are identified to impart Sports medicine and sports sciences backup to eminent sports persons. Similar tie-up with reputed private Hospital/ University with available infrastructure and technical manpower in the field of sports science and sports medicine is also being considered.
(d) A Scheme called "Khelo India − National Programme for Development of Sports" is being implemented by this Ministry as a Central Sector Scheme from the current financial year 2016-17. This Scheme provides for holding of sports competitions in two age groups of (i) under 14 and (ii) under 17 all over India to encourage mass participation of both boys and girls in Sports in both urban and rural areas. Also, to promote sports in the country, SAI is implementing the following sports promotional schemes to identify talented sports persons in the age groups 8-25 years and nurture them to excel at national and international competitions :
â€¢ National Sports Talent Contest Scheme (NSTC)
â€¢ Army Boys Sports Company (ABSC)
â€¢ SAI Training Centre (STC)
â€¢ Special Area Games (SAG)
â€¢ Extension Centre of STC/SAG
â€¢ Centre of Excellence (CoE)
â€¢ National Sports Academies (NSA)
(e) SAI organises National Coaching Camps for the elite sports persons / teams preparing for International competitions. SAI Centres where such training camp are organised have requisite infrastructure, equipment, services of support staff and facilities at par with international standards. In addition to above the National Camps are provided with food supplements based on
sports disciplines. The boarding charges across all categories of residential training have been revised/ enhanced on 28.07.2016 as given below:
<pre>S. No.
Category
Previous (Rs.)
Enhanced /Revised rate
1
SAI Training Centre (STC) (Non Hilly)
175
225
2
SAI Training Centre (STC) (Hilly)
200
250
3
Centre of Excellence (COE) (Non Power)
225

300
4
Centre of Excellence (COE) (Power)
250
350
5
National Campers (Junior & Sub Junior)
360
450
6
National Campers (Senior)
480
650</pre>
The diet plan/ weekly menu and ration size for all the above categories have been prepared.
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